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**FACT SHEET**

**KENTUCKY POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM  
PERMIT TO DISCHARGE TREATED WASTEWATER  
INTO WATERS OF THE COMMONWEALTH**

KPDES No.: KY0105881      Permit Writer: Ronnie Thompson      Date: May 10, 2010  
AI No.: 77108

1. **SYNOPSIS OF APPLICATION**

a. Name and Address of Applicant

Republic Conduit Manufacturing  
7301 Logistics Drive  
Louisville, Kentucky 40258

b. Facility Location

Republic Conduit Manufacturing  
7301 Logistics Drive  
Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky

c. Description of Applicant's Operation

Republic Conduit Manufacturing produces hot dip galvanized steel conduit and electro-galvanized steel conduit for electrical cable. Incoming tubes are cleaned with hydrochloric or sulfuric acid then coated or plated and painted as appropriate. Plated tubes are dipped in a chromate rinse as a final treatment (SIC Code 3317).

d. Production Capacity of Facility

N/A

e. Description of Existing Pollution Abatement Facilities

Outfall 001 - The process wastewater discharge from this outfall has now been directed to the West County Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Outfall 002 - Storm water runoff is untreated.

Outfall 003 - Storm water runoff is untreated.

f. Permitting Action

This is a reissuance of a minor KPDES permit for a galvanized steel pipe manufacturer.

2. **RECEIVING WATER**

a. Name/Mile Point

Facility discharges to an unnamed tributary of Mill Creek at latitude 38-10-21 and longitude 85-53-17.

b. Stream Segment Use Classification

Pursuant to 401 KAR 10:026, Section 5, the unnamed tributary of Mill Creek carries the following classifications: Warmwater Aquatic Habitat, Primary/Secondary Contact Recreation and Domestic Water Supply.

c. Stream Segment Categorization

Pursuant to 401 KAR 10:030, Section 1, the unnamed tributary of Mill Creek is categorized as "High Quality Waters".

d. Stream Low Flow Condition

The 7-day, 10-year low flow and harmonic mean conditions of the unnamed tributary of Mill Creek are 0 cfs and 0.1 cfs, respectively.

### 3. REPORTED DISCHARGE AND PROPOSED LIMITS

Serial Number 002 - Storm water runoff.

Effluent Characteristics	Reported Discharge		Proposed Limits		Applicable Water Quality Criteria and/or Effluent Guidelines
	Monthly Average	Daily Maximum	Monthly Average	Daily Maximum	
Flow (MGD)	0.116	6.502	Report	Report	401 KAR 5:065, Section 2(4) 40 CFR 122.44(i)(1)(ii)
Total Suspended Solids (mg/l)	212	1910	30	60	401 KAR 5:080, Section 2(3) 40 CFR 125.3
Oil & Grease (mg/l)	4	9	10	15	401 KAR 5:080, Section 2(3) 40 CFR 125.3
Total Recoverable Zinc (mg/l)	N/A	N/A	Report	Report	401 KAR 5:065, Section 2(3) 40 CFR 122.43(a)
Hexavalent Chromium (mg/l)	N/A	N/A	Report	Report	401 KAR 5:065, Section 2(3) 40 CFR 122.43(a)
Hardness (as mg/l CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	N/A	N/A	Report	Report	401 KAR 5:065, Section 2(3) 40 CFR 122.43(a)
pH (standard units)	6.0	8.8	6.0 (min)	9.0 (max)	401 KAR 10:031, Section 4

The data contained under the reported discharge columns is not from the renewal application, but rather from the analysis of the DMR data that has been reported during the term of the previous permit.

The abbreviation N/A means Not Available.

4. METHODOLOGY USED IN DETERMINING LIMITATIONS

a. Serial Number

Outfall 002 - Storm water runoff from 37.5 acres, 19% of which is impervious.

b. Effluent Characteristics

Flow, Total Suspended Solids, Oil & Grease, Total Recoverable Zinc, Hexavalent Chromium, Hardness and pH

c. Pertinent Factors

None

d. Monitoring Requirements

Flow monitoring shall be conducted once per month instantaneously.

Total Suspended Solids, Oil & Grease, Total Recoverable Zinc, Hexavalent Chromium and Hardness shall be monitored once per month by grab sample.

pH shall be monitored once per month by grab sample.

e. Justification of Conditions

The Kentucky regulations cited below have been duly promulgated pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 224 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes.

Flow

The monitoring requirements for this parameter are consistent with the requirements of 401 KAR 5:065, Section 2(4).

Total Suspended Solids and Oil & Grease

The limits for these parameters are consistent with the requirements of 40 CFR 125.3(c)(2) as incorporated by reference in 401 KAR 5:080, Section 2(3). The limits are representative of the Division of Water's "Best Professional Judgment" (BPJ) determination of the "Best Conventional Pollutant Control Technology" (BCT) requirements for these pollutants.

Total Recoverable Zinc, Hexavalent Chromium and Hardness

The monitoring requirements for these parameters are consistent with the requirements of 401 KAR 5:065, Section 2(3).

pH

The limits for this parameter are consistent with the requirements of 401 KAR 10:031, Section 4.

## 5. REPORTED DISCHARGE AND PROPOSED LIMITS

Serial Number 003 - Storm water runoff.

Effluent Characteristics	Reported Discharge		Proposed Limits		Applicable Water Quality Criteria and/or Effluent Guidelines
	Monthly Average	Daily Maximum	Monthly Average	Daily Maximum	
Flow (MGD)	0.007	0.394	Report	Report	401 KAR 5:065, Section 2(4) 40 CFR 122.44(i)(1)(ii)
Total Suspended Solids (mg/l)	31	244	30	60	401 KAR 5:080, Section 2(3) 40 CFR 125.3
Oil & Grease (mg/l)	4	7	10	15	401 KAR 5:080, Section 2(3) 40 CFR 125.3
Total Recoverable Zinc (mg/l)	N/A	N/A	Report	Report	401 KAR 5:065, Section 2(3) 40 CFR 122.43(a)
Hexavalent Chromium (mg/l)	N/A	N/A	Report	Report	401 KAR 5:065, Section 2(3) 40 CFR 122.43(a)
Hardness (as mg/l CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	N/A	N/A	Report	Report	401 KAR 5:065, Section 2(3) 40 CFR 122.43(a)
pH (standard units)	6.0	7.7	6.0 (min)	9.0 (max)	401 KAR 10:031, Section 4

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The abbreviation N/A means Not Available.

6. **METHODOLOGY USED IN DETERMINING LIMITATIONS**

a. Serial Number

Outfall 003 - Storm water runoff from 12.9 acres, 62% of which is impervious.

b. Effluent Characteristics

Flow, Total Suspended Solids, Oil & Grease, Total Recoverable Zinc, Hexavalent Chromium, Hardness and pH

c. Pertinent Factors

None

d. Monitoring Requirements

Flow monitoring shall be conducted once per month instantaneously.

Total Suspended Solids, Oil & Grease, Total Recoverable Zinc, Hexavalent Chromium and Hardness shall be monitored once per month by grab sample.

pH shall be monitored once per month by grab sample.

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Total Recoverable Zinc, Hexavalent Chromium and Hardness

The monitoring requirements for these parameters are consistent with the requirements of 401 KAR 5:065, Section 2(3).

pH

The limits for this parameter are consistent with the requirements of 401 KAR 10:031, Section 4.

7. **ANTIDEGRADATION**

The conditions of 401 KAR 10:029, Section 1, have been satisfied. This permitting action is a renewal of a KPDES permit for existing discharges only. No new or expanded discharges are being authorized by this action, therefore a review under 401 KAR 10:030 Section 1 is not applicable.

8. **PROPOSED COMPLIANCE SCHEDULE FOR ATTAINING EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS**

The permittee will comply with all effluent limitations by the effective date of the permit.

9. **PROPOSED SPECIAL CONDITIONS WHICH WILL HAVE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE DISCHARGE**

**Best Management Practices (BMP) Plan**

Pursuant to 401 KAR 5:065, Section 2, a BMP requirement shall be included: to control or abate the discharge of pollutants from ancillary areas containing toxic or hazardous substances or those substances which could result in an environmental emergency; where numeric effluent limitations are infeasible; or to carry out the purposes and intent of KRS 224. The facility has several areas where support activities occur which have a potential of the discharge of such substances through storm water runoff or spillage. Some of these areas will drain to present wastewater treatment plants, others will not.

**Outfall Signage**

The KPDES permit establishes monitoring points, effluent limitations, and other conditions to address discharges from the permitted facility pursuant 40 CFR 122.48. In an effort to better document and clarify these locations the permittee should place and maintain a permanent marker at each of the monitoring locations.

10. **PERMIT DURATION**

Five (5) years. This facility is in the Salt, Licking Basin Management Unit as per the Kentucky Watershed Management Framework.

11. **PERMIT INFORMATION**

The application, draft permit, fact sheet, public notice, comments received and additional information is available from the Division of Water at 200 Fair Oaks Lane, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

12. **REFERENCES AND CITED DOCUMENTS**

All material and documents referenced or cited in this fact sheet are a part of the permit information as described above and are readily available at the Division of Water Central Office. Information regarding these materials may be obtained from the person listed below.

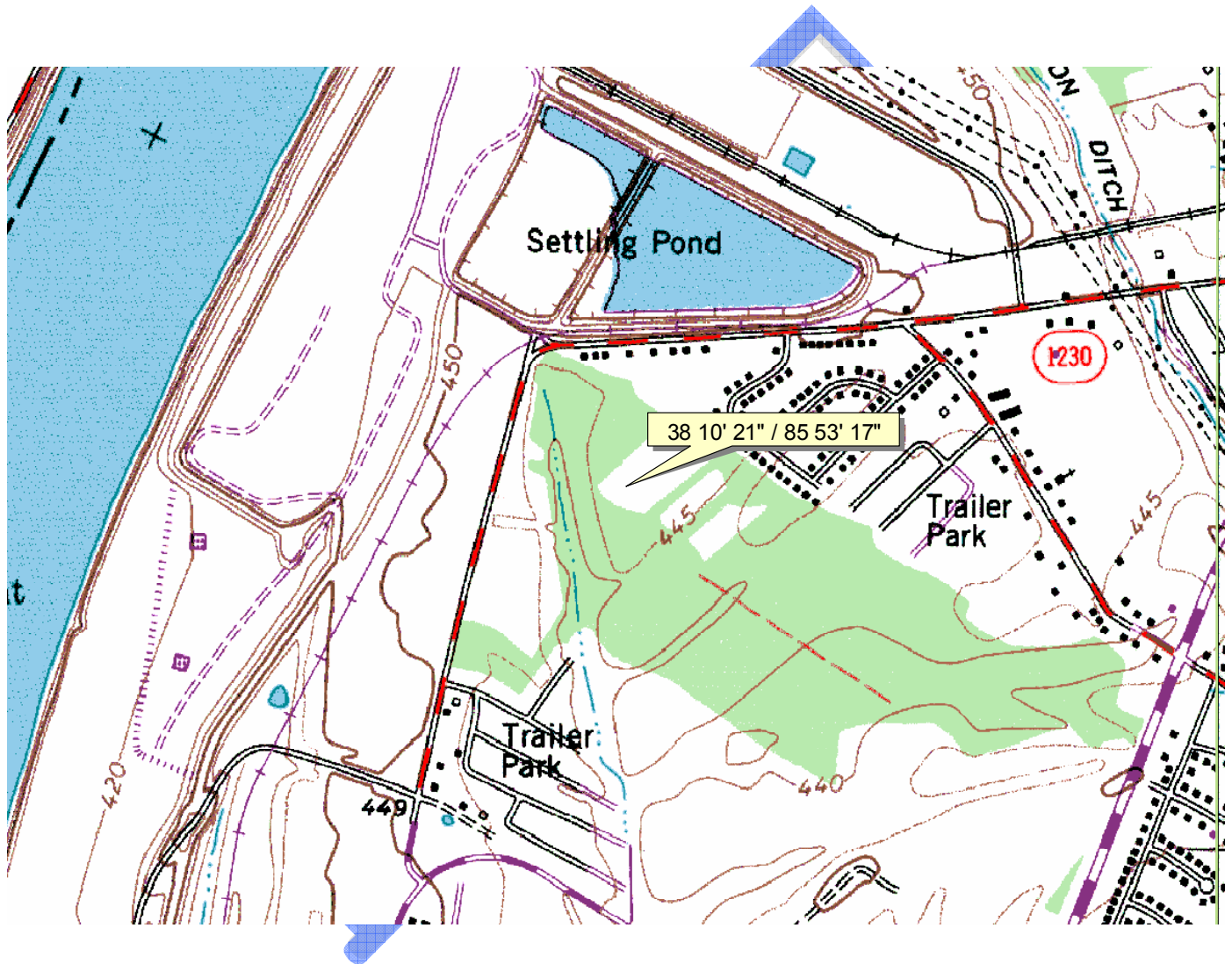
13. **CONTACT**

For further information on the draft permit or comment process, contact the individual identified on the Public Notice or the Permit Writer - Ronnie Thompson at (502) 564-8158, extension 4925, or email [Ronnie.Thompson@ky.gov](mailto:Ronnie.Thompson@ky.gov).

14. **PUBLIC NOTICE INFORMATION**

Please refer to the attached Public Notice for details regarding the procedures for a final decision, deadline for comments and other information required by 401 KAR 5:075, Section 4(2)(e).

## Republic Conduit Manufacturing



# KPDES



## KENTUCKY POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM

# PERMIT

PERMIT NO.: KY0105881  
AI NO.: 77108

### AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE UNDER THE KENTUCKY POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM

Pursuant to Authority in KRS 224,

Republic Conduit Manufacturing  
7301 Logistics Drive  
Louisville, Kentucky 40258

is authorized to discharge from a facility located at

Republic Conduit Manufacturing  
7301 Logistics Drive  
Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky

to receiving waters named

Unnamed tributary of Mill Creek at latitude 38-10-21 and longitude 85-53-17.

in accordance with effluent limitations, monitoring requirements and other conditions set forth in Parts I, II, III and IV hereof. The permit consists of this cover sheet, Part I 2 pages, Part II 1 page, Part III 1 page, and Part IV 3 pages.

This permit shall become effective on

This permit and the authorization to discharge shall expire at midnight,

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Date Signed

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Sandra L. Gruzesky, Director  
Division of Water

## PART I A - EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

During the period beginning on the effective date of this permit and lasting through the term of this permit, the permittee is authorized to discharge from Outfalls serial numbers: 002 and 003 - Storm water runoff.

Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

<u>EFFLUENT CHARACTERISTICS</u>	<u>DISCHARGE LIMITATIONS</u>				<u>MONITORING REQUIREMENTS</u>	
	(lbs/day) Monthly Avg.	Daily Max.	Other Units (Specify) Monthly Avg.	Daily Max.	Measurement Frequency	Sample Type
Flow (MGD)	Report	Report	N/A	N/A	1/Month	Instantaneous
Total Suspended Solids	N/A	N/A	30 mg/l	60 mg/l	1/Month	Grab
Oil & Grease	N/A	N/A	10 mg/l	15 mg/l	1/Month	Grab
Total Recoverable Zinc (mg/l)	N/A	N/A	Report	Report	1/Month	Grab
Hexavalent Chromium (mg/l)	N/A	N/A	Report	Report	1/Month	Grab
Hardness (as mg/l CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	N/A	N/A	Report	Report	1/Month	Grab
pH (standard units)	N/A	N/A	6.0 (min)	9.0 (max)	1/Month	Grab

The abbreviation N/A means Not Applicable.

There shall be no discharge of floating solids or visible foam or sheen in other than trace amounts.

Samples taken in compliance with the monitoring requirements specified above shall be taken at the following location: nearest accessible point prior to discharge to or mixing with the receiving waters or wastestreams from other outfalls.

**PART I B - SCHEDULE OF COMPLIANCE**

The permittee shall achieve compliance with all requirements on the effective date of this permit.

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**PART II - STANDARD CONDITIONS FOR KPDES PERMIT**

This permit has been issued under the provisions of KRS Chapter 224 and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto. Issuance of this permit does not relieve the permittee from the responsibility of obtaining any other permits or licenses required by this Cabinet and other state, federal, and local agencies.

It is the responsibility of the permittee to demonstrate compliance with permit parameter limitations by utilization of sufficiently sensitive analytical methods.

The permittee is also advised that all KPDES permit conditions in KPDES Regulation 401 KAR 5:065, Section 1 will apply to all discharges authorized by this permit.

## **PART III - OTHER REQUIREMENTS**

### **A. Reporting of Monitoring Results**

Monitoring results obtained during each monitoring period must be reported on a preprinted Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) Form that will be mailed to you. The completed DMR for each monitoring period must be sent to the Division of Water at the address listed below (with a copy to the appropriate Regional Office) postmarked no later than the 28th day of the month following the monitoring period for which monitoring results were obtained.

Division of Water  
Louisville Regional Office  
9116 Leesgate Road  
Louisville, Kentucky 40222-5084  
ATTN: Supervisor

Energy and Environment Cabinet  
Dept. for Environmental Protection  
Division of Water/Surface Water Permits  
Branch  
200 Fair Oaks Lane  
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

### **B. Reopener Clause**

This permit shall be modified, or alternatively revoked and reissued, to comply with any applicable effluent standard or limitation issued or approved under 401 KAR 5:050 through 5:086, if the effluent standard or limitation so issued or approved:

1. Contains different conditions or is otherwise more stringent than any effluent limitation in the permit; or
2. Controls any pollutant not limited in the permit.

The permit as modified or reissued under this paragraph shall also contain any other requirements of KRS Chapter 224 when applicable.

### **C. Outfall Signage**

The KPDES permit establishes monitoring points, effluent limitations, and other conditions to address discharges from the permitted facility. In an effort to better document and clarify these locations the permittee should place and maintain a permanent marker at each of the monitoring locations.

## **PART IV - BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES**

### **SECTION A. GENERAL CONDITIONS**

#### **1. Applicability**

These conditions apply to all permittees who use, manufacture, store, handle, or discharge any pollutant listed as: (1) toxic under Section 307(a)(1) of the Clean Water Act; (2) oil, as defined in Section 311(a)(1) of the Act; (3) any pollutant listed as hazardous under Section 311 of the Act; or (4) is defined as a pollutant pursuant to KRS 224.01-010(35) and who have ancillary manufacturing operations which could result in (1) the release of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant, or (2) an environmental emergency, as defined in KRS 224.01-400, as amended, or any regulation promulgated pursuant thereto (hereinafter, the "BMP pollutants"). These operations include material storage areas; plant site runoff; in-plant transfer, process and material handling areas; loading and unloading operations, and sludge and waste disposal areas.

#### **2. BMP Plan**

The permittee shall develop and implement a Best Management Practices (BMP) plan consistent with 40 CFR 122.44(k) as incorporated by 401 KAR 5:065, Section 2(4) pursuant to KRS 224.70-110, which prevents or minimizes the potential for the release of "BMP pollutants" from ancillary activities through plant site runoff; spillage or leaks, sludge or waste disposal; or drainage from raw material storage. A Best Management Practices (BMP) plan will be prepared by the permittee unless the permittee can demonstrate through the submission of a BMP outline that the elements and intent of the BMP have been fulfilled through the use of existing plans such as the Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) plans, contingency plans, and other applicable documents.

#### **3. Implementation**

If this is the first time for the BMP requirement, then the plan shall be developed and submitted to the Division of Water within 90 days of the effective date of the permit. Implementation shall be within 180 days of that submission. For permit renewals, the plan in effect at the time of permit reissuance shall remain in effect. Modifications to the plan as a result of ineffectiveness or plan changes to the facility shall be submitted to the Division of Water and implemented as soon as possible.

#### **4. General Requirements**

The BMP plan shall:

- a. Be documented in narrative form, and shall include any necessary plot plans, drawings, or maps.
- b. Establish specific objectives for the control of toxic and hazardous pollutants.
  - (1) Each facility component or system shall be examined for its potential for causing a release of "BMP pollutants" due to equipment failure, improper operation, natural phenomena such as rain or snowfall, etc.

- (2) Where experience indicates a reasonable potential for equipment failure (e.g., a tank overflow or leakage), natural condition (e.g., precipitation), or other circumstances which could result in a release of "BMP pollutants," the plan should include a prediction of the direction, rate of flow, and total quantity of the pollutants which could be released from the facility as result of each condition or circumstance.
- c. Establish specific Best Management Practices to meet the objectives identified under paragraph b of this section, addressing each component or system capable of causing a release of "BMP pollutants."
- d. Include any special conditions established in part b of this section.
- e. Be reviewed by plant engineering staff and the plant manager.

5. **Specific Requirements**

The plan shall be consistent with the general guidance contained in the publication entitled "NPDES Best Management Practices Guidance Document," and shall include the following baseline BMPs as a minimum.

- a. BMP Committee
- b. Reporting of BMP Incidents
- c. Risk Identification and Assessment
- d. Employee Training
- e. Inspections and Records
- f. Preventive Maintenance
- g. Good Housekeeping
- h. Materials Compatibility
- i. Security
- j. Materials Inventory

6. **SPCC Plans**

The BMP plan may reflect requirements for Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) plans under Section 311 of the Act and 40 CFR Part 151, and may incorporate any part of such plans into the BMP plan by reference.

7. **Hazardous Waste Management**

The permittee shall assure the proper management of solid and hazardous waste in accordance with the regulations promulgated under the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1978 (RCRA) (40 U.S.C. 6901 et seq.) Management practices required under RCRA regulations shall be referenced in the BMP plan.

8. **Documentation**

The permittee shall maintain a description of the BMP plan at the facility and shall make the plan available upon request to NREPC personnel. Initial copies and modifications thereof shall be sent to the following addresses when required by Section 3:

Division of Water  
Louisville Regional Office  
9116 Leesgate Road  
Louisville, Kentucky 40222-5084  
ATTN: Supervisor

Energy and Environment Cabinet  
Dept. for Environmental Protection  
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Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

9. **BMP Plan Modification**

The permittee shall amend the BMP plan whenever there is a change in the facility or change in the operation of the facility that materially increases the potential for the ancillary activities to result in the release of "BMP pollutants."

10. **Modification for Ineffectiveness**

If the BMP plan proves to be ineffective in achieving the general objective of preventing the release of "BMP pollutants," then the specific objectives and requirements under paragraphs b and c of Section 4, the permit, and/or the BMP plan shall be subject to modification to incorporate revised BMP requirements. If at any time following the issuance of this permit the BMP plan is found to be inadequate pursuant to a state or federal site inspection or plan review, the plan shall be modified to incorporate such changes necessary to resolve the concerns.

**SECTION B. SPECIFIC CONDITIONS**

**Periodically Discharged Wastewaters Not Specifically Covered By Effluent Conditions**

The permittee shall include in this BMP plan procedures and controls necessary for the handling of periodically discharged wastewaters such as intake screen backwash, meter calibration, fire protection, hydrostatic testing water, water associated with demolition projects, etc.